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- [X] 3. Document AH is not in the English language. In accordance with §1.98(a)(3), Applicant states:

A concise explanation of the relevance of document AH is found in the attached European search report (see reply to Comment 68 in the preamble to the final rules; 1135 OG 13 at 20).

[] 5. Other information being provided for the examiner's consideration follows:

Document AH (IT 1 245 508 B) was mentioned in the European Search Report in category "X". This document describes a polyester filament yarn for a sun roof. However, the yarn used is dyed with the production of the yarn by spinneret dyeing and not by wet dyeing as in accordance with the present invention.

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